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1. Regret that because of delays in distribution of T-80 here, we have not as yet been able to complete full interagency coordinated consideration of your proposals for expanded W-4 project. At working level, Defense, CIA and USAID representatives believe their respective agencies will probably view proposals favorably. AID also favorably inclined but local currency requirements pose problem. Request report on alternative options with Cody during Washington TDY and Mission comment on dollar cost implications of local currency aspect this project. Given overall local currency shortage, urge review and reduction requirements as feasible.

2. Since additional AID W and USAID funds required, not all of which included in recent budget requests, it may not be possible

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possible to resolve all funding problems quickly. Therefore you should not initiate any activities dependent on commitment additional AID and USIA funds until study and approval have completed. Will advise you as soon as possible.

3. DOD concludes from A-86 that proposed expansion can be accomplished within currently approved and programmed MAP and contemplates no additional resources. Request confirmation.

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